Ready to Leave Readers

Ready to leave readers behind?

Check out these awesome beginner chapter books!

Fiction



Aliens For Breakfast, Jonathan Etra, J F ETR SciFi/Fantasy

Finding an intergalactic special agent in his cereal box, Richard joins the extraterrestrial in a fight to save Earth from the Dranes, one of whom is masquerading as a student in Richard's class.



The Wolves in the Walls, Neil Gaiman, J F GAI

Lucy is sure there are wolves living in the walls of her house, although others in her family disagree, and when the wolves come out, the adventure begins.



Tales for Very Picky Eaters, Josh Schneider, J F SCH Humor

James is a very picky eater. His dad has to get creative-very creative-in order to get James to eat foods he thinks he doesn't like. But it is eventually James himself who discovers that some foods are not so bad, after all, if you're willing to give them a try.



Stuart Goes to School, Sarah Pennypacker, J F PEN Humor

Stuart is about to start third grade. As he makes his way to the first day of school, wearing the worst outfit ever, what could a first-rate worrier do but worry? Stuart worries about getting stuck in the boys' bathroom, about not having anything to show for show-and-tell, but most of all, about not making any friends. With his cape, though, Stuart is bound to have a day full of wacky adventures.



Marty Frye, Private Eye, Janet Tashjian, J F TAS Mystery

Marty Frye, a seven-year-old who likes to read poetry and talk in rhymes, solves three separate mysteries for a classmate, a toy store owner, and his younger sister.



The Children Who Smelled a Rat, Allan Ahlberg, J F AHL Humor

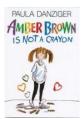
All the Gaskitts have a bad day when the baby rolls away in a shopping cart, the twins' teacher acts peculiar, and a lost bird tries to hypnotize the cat.





After Happily Ever After, Tony Bradman, J SER AFT

Cinderella's Prince Charming is just perfect, but his mother is a royal pain. She makes the ugly stepsisters look friendly! With a little makeover magic, Cinderella is ready to turn the Mean Queen into the Nice Queen.



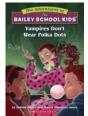
Amber Brown, Paula Danzinger, J SER AMB

Amber Brown. Justin Daniels. Best friends...a team that really knows how to have fun, that knows how to help each other out. And then--disaster strikes. Justin has to move. And the fighting begins. Will the best friends be able to work it out before it's too late?



Bad Kitty, Nick Bruel, J SER BAD

The day-to-day adventures of Bad Kitty, who always seems to be getting into some kind of trouble.



The Bailey School Kids, Debbie Dadey, J SER BAI

There are some pretty weird grown-ups living in Bailey City--and a lot of strange happenings. The Bailey School Kids take it upon themselves to investigate.



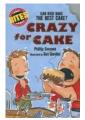
Big Nate, Lincoln Peirce, J SER BIG

Big Nate is in a class by himself! But things don't always go your way just because you're awesome. Nate barely survives his dad's toxic oatmeal before rushing off to school minus his lunch. He body slams the no-nonsense principal. He accidentally insults his least favorite teacher, the horrifying Mrs. Godfrey (aka Godzilla). And school has barely started! Nate keeps his cool. He knows he's destined for greatness. A fortune cookie told him so.



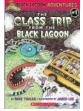
Barbie & Friends Book Club, Rita Balducci, J SER BAR

Barbie and her sisters learn about friendship, sharing, and trust while having adventures and meeting new friends.



Bites, Philip Gwynne and others, J SER BIT

The popular series offers a reading buffet for every skill level. When you dish up just the books kids are ready for, they'll bite, and grow into voracious readers. The three drool-worthy selections on our menu start with Nibbles, appetizer-sized portions for new readers. Bites give a larger helping of more advanced reading to the kids who are ready for more. Finally, they graduate to full-sized middle grade novels, Chomps. Each book has a bite taken out of it, indicating its reading level to parents while tipping off kids that they're in for a real treat.



The Black Lagoon Adventures, Mike Thaler, J SER BLA

The hugely popular book club series by Mike Thaler and Jared Lee. These fun-filled chapter books mix school, monsters, and common kid problems with hilarious results.



The Blue Ghost, Marion Dane Bauer, J SER BLU

At her grandmother's log cabin, nine-year-old Liz is led to make contact with children she believes may be her ancestors.



Butterfly Meadow, Olivia Moss, J SER BUT

In Butterfly Meadow, colorful butterflies dance through the air, glowworms inch through the grass, and bumblebees buzz around every flower. It's a place where friendships and adventures take flight.



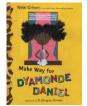
The Doug Chronicles, Jim Rubin, J SER DOU

Based on the popular series by Nickelodeon, and later, Disney, The Doug Chronicles follows Doug Funnie, his friend Skeeter, and Patti Mayonaise as they have navigate school, the town of Bluffington, and Roger!



Elliot's Park, Partrick Carman, J SER ELI

Mister Nibbles has been captured and taken to the yellow house across the street from Elliot's park! Squirrels aren't meant to live indoors (not even stuffed ones like Mister Nibbles), So Elliot and his friends come up with a plan to rescue their new companion.



Dyamonde Daniel, Nikki Grimes, J SER DYA

Spunky third-grader Dyamonde Daniel misses her old neighborhood, but when she befriends a boy named Free, another new student at school, she finally starts to feel at home.



The Cam Jansen Mysteries, David Adler, J SER CAM

The Cam Jansen books are perfect for young readers who are making the transition to chapter books, and Cam is a spunky young heroine whom readers have loved for over two decades. Follow along as she solves mysteries and makes startling discoveries.



The Capital Mysteries, Ron Roy, J SER CAP

The Capital mysteries feature K.C. Corcoran and her pal, Marshall Li, who live near the White House, and are friends with the President of The United States. They investigate mysteries in and around Washington DC.



Flat Stanley, Jeff Brown, J SER FLA

Stanley Lambchop is a nice, average boy. He leads a nice, ordinary life. Then one day a bulletin board falls on him and suddenly Stanley is flat.



George Brown Class Clown, Nancy Krulik, J SER GEO

When fourth-grader George starts at a new school, he vows to become a model student instead of the class clown he has always been. But just as his plan is going really well, he is overtaken by a magic burp that turns him back into a mischief-maker.



Horrible Harry and Song Lee, Suzy Kline, J SER HOR

Horrible Harry thinks he's the world's second-best detective (second to Sherlock Holmes, of course), but the rest of the kids in Room 3B aren't as sure. So he's determined to prove himself by solving all the latest mysteries at South School.



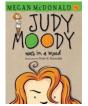
Ivy & Bean, Annie Barrows, J SER IVY

When seven-year-old Bean plays a mean trick on her sister, she finds unexpected support for her antics from Ivy, the new neighbor, who is less boring than Bean first suspected.



Junie B. Jones, Barbara Park, J SER JUN

Junie B. is a cross between Lily Tomlin's Edith Ann & Eloise in this funny story of a youngster on her way to kindergarten.



Judy Moody, Megan McDonald, J SER JUD

Third grader Judy Moody is in a first day of school bad mood until she gets an assignment to create a collage all about herself and begins creating her masterpiece, the Me collage.



Kylie Jean, Marci Peschke, J SER KYL

Kylie Jean's class is performing Alice in Wonderland! Kylie Jean knows she'd be just perfect as the Queen of Hearts. But mean girl Paula wants the part too



Martha Speaks, Jamie White, J SER MAR

Hypothesis: "It's easier being a dog than being a human." This seems pretty safe to say, but the notion is put to the test in this funny, action-packed, full-color chapter book based on the PBS showMartha Speaks. When Carolina is turned into a dog, she finds out how irresistible mud, meat, and squirrels can be...and ends up at theshelter! Then T.D. volunteers to live as a dog for a day. Is it as easy at it looks?



Maybelle, Kate Speck, J SER MAY

When Mr. and Mrs. Peabody invite a guest to dinner, Maybelle the cockroach, who lives under their refrigerator, ignores the warnings of Henry the flea to be sensible and ends up "splashing" into a big adventure.



Mercy Watson, Kate DiCamillo, J SER MER

Mercy Watson, a disarmingly charming pig adopted by a loving human family, makes her debut in this series of chapter books for beginning readers.



Monica, Diana Gallagher, J SER MON

Monica has the chance of a lifetime: she's been asked to ride with her friends in a parade! But the problem is, the parade is for the Rock Creek football team, and they're Pine Tree Middle School's rivals in the big game. How can she support her school and her friends from Rock Creek, and still ride in the parade?



My Weird School, Dan Gutman, J SER MYW

For A.J. and the gang at Ella Mentry School, weirdness and fun are all part of the routine. In this first book in the outrageously funny series that has reached millions of readers around the world, second-grade teacher Miss Daisy is in over her head. Principal Klutz has promised that if they read a million pages in books, they can turn the school into a video-game arcade for one whole night! One thing's for sure—life at Ella Mentry School is never going to be the same again!



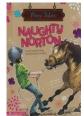
Nancy Clancy: Super Sleuth, Jane O'Connor, J SER NAN

Nancy Clancy is growing up and ready for a whole new adventure . . . in her chapter book debut! Nancy and her best friend, Bree, have everything they need to solve a mystery, from their totally professional trench coats to their top-secret code. But when crime strikes in their classroom, will these super sleuths be able to crack the case?



Phineas and Ferb, Jasmine Jones, J SER PHI

It's summer vacation for Phineas and Ferb, and they have a lot to do! First, they fix up their mom's car and enter the Swamp-Oil 500 at the speedway. Then, they build a wild roller coast-



Pony Tales, Bernadette Kelly, J SER PON

Some people think Norton is a naughty pony, but his owner Molly knows he is just very clever. She is determined to train her pony, no matter how long it takes.



Ready Freddy, Abby Klein, J SER REA

Watch out, Junie, there's a new kid on the block! It's Freddy Thresher, a first grader who knows it's a jungle out there. A new chapter book series written by an elementary teacher who's seen it all!



Roscoe Riley Rules, Katherine Applegate, J SER ROS

When the first-graders' bee antennae would not stay on their heads and the drummers would not stay in their seats for the open house play, Roscoe decides to help by using the "don't-you-dare" glue.



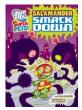
The Scooby Doo Case Files, James Gelsey, J SER SCO

The Mystery, Inc. gang needs you to help them solve the mystery. Can you solve the mystery of the devilish donut? The Mystery Inc. gang have sent Scooby and Shaggy to the gym to get in shape. But a devilish giant donut shows up at the gym and threatens to drive away customers. The reader can solve the word and picture puzzles at the end of each chapter to find the suspects and clues they'll need to crack the case before Fred unmasks the culprit.



Sports Illustrated Kids, Multiple Authors, J SER SPO

Follow the stories and adventures of the hilarious and relatable characters as they race BMX bikes, break into gymnastics camp, attempt to run one-man relays, and more!



Super Pets, Multiple Authors, J SER SUP

From DC Comics comes Super Pets! The series for kids about super-powered pets fighting evil apes, retrieving kidnapped hamsters, and stopping invisible cat burglars! Action packed adventure perfect for early readers.

